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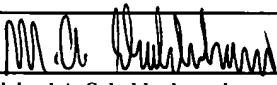
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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Multiple Dependent Claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Group Art Unit:	2863)	
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Examiner:	Michael P. Nghiem)	
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Title:	Methods Of Diagnosing)	
	Open-Secondary Winding Of)	
	An Ignition Coil Using The)	
	Ionization Current Signal)	
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<u>Attorney Docket:</u>	<u>46107-0091</u>)	

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the enclosed Forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b are submitted for consideration by the Examiner in the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The full consideration of the references in their entirety by the Examiner is respectfully requested and encouraged. Also, it is respectfully requested that the references be entered into the record of the present application and that the Examiner place his or her initials in the appropriate area on the enclosed Forms PTO/SB/08a and Form PTO/SB/08b, thereby indicating the Examiner's consideration of each of the references.

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Other Applications

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. patent application(s):

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